

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

2 **[0023]** An accessory for a computer provides both an auxiliary battery and a port
replicator in an integrated unit. In one embodiment, the accessory includes a docking
4 connector, a battery, and at least one communication port, with the battery and
communication port connected to the docking connector so that power from the
6 battery and communication signals to the communication port can pass through the
docking connector.

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